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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Card #1

#212

Date first licensed 12-31-48

W K D Q (12-1-71)

Call letters X WSON-FM

Station location • Henderson, Kentucky

Name of licensee HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INCORPORATED

2030 Zion Road, Henderson, Ky. (LH-6-27-78) redescribed

X On East edge of Henderson, on State Hwy. 54, Henderson, Kentucky (Redes. 1-20-72)  
X 2 1/2 miles East of

Transmitter location X Zion Road, Henderson, Kentucky

2030 Zion Rd., Henderson, Ky. (LH-6-27-78) redescribed)

X Same as Transmitter (Redes. 1-20-72)

X Same as transmitter (Tele 12-13-68)

X Soaper Hotel, 2nd and Main Streets, Henderson, Kentucky (BRCH 2-5-59)

X 121 North Main Street, Henderson, Kentucky (Mod. Lic. 7-21-55)

X Same

Main studio location

FCC-65

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Mcs. Freq.	E.R.P. Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
Letter	2-21-47	STA to operate on 93.1 mcs using Federal Type 192-A transmitter with max. output power of 3 kw and a 4-bay Electronic Research ant. mounted on WSON tower with top section of ant. 10 ft. below top of tower purpose FM program for period 2-21-47 to 5-21-47. Waiver of rules requiring use of approved freq. and modul. monitors provided applicant responsible for maintenance of freq. within required tolerance. Subject to submission of data subsequent to installation of FM ant. to show no change in resistance of WSON ant. WSON to operate by indirect method of measuring power in accord with Sec. 3.52 of rules during installation of FM ant. & until above data is approved.			
Telegram	5-16-47	Relet 3. Authority extended period ending 8-21-47 operate 93.1 mcs. using Fed. 192-a trans. max. power 3 kw and 4-bay Electronic Research Antenna mounted near top WSON Tower for FM program service.			
Telegram	5-21-47	Retel 20. Authority modified period ending 8-21-47 operate 93.1 mcs. using Fed. 192-A trans. max. power 3 kw and 8-bay Electronic Research antenna mounted near top WSON tower for FM program service. WSON operate indirect method of determining power in acc. Section 3.52 during construction and until data submitted and approved to show antenna resistance. Advise Comm. date program service begins.			
Telegram	6-18-47	Relet 13. Authority granted period ending 8-21-47 operate without approved frequency and modulation monitors. Responsibility maintenance frequency and modulation within required limits not waived.			
	6-24-47	99.5 (No. 258)			
	Freq. assignment accord.		Do 6768		

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters **WSON-FM** .....

Station location - **Henderson, Kentucky**

Name of licensee **HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.** .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Mos Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From To
Daylet	3-1-47	Relet 10. Auth. ext. 10-1-47 92.1; Fed. 192-A tr. max output 3kw and 8 bay electronic research ant. mounted near top WSON tower for prog. serv. WSON to op. by indirect method of determining power in re Sec. 3.52 Rules dur. construction & until data subm. & ap. to show ant. resistance. Auth. ext. same per. without ap. freq. & mod. mon. Responsibility not waived.			
Telegram	9-30-47	Relet 10. Auth. extended WSON-FM period ending Feb. 1, 1948, operate 99.5 Mcs. using Federal 192-A trans. maximum output power 3 kw.; 8 bay Electronic Research antenna mounted near top WSON tower for purpose program service. WSON to operate by indirect method of determining power in accordance section 3.52 rules during construction and until data submitted and approved to show antenna resistance. Auth. extended WSON-FM same period operate without approved frequency and modulation monitors. Responsibility maintenance frequency and modulation within required limits not waived.			
Telegram	2-3-48	Retelephone call. Auth. extended period ending June 1, 1948 interim operation.			
BPH-451	2-5-48	99.5 mc Ch. 258 C. P. issued (mailed 3-10-48)	20 kw Terr: 400 ft.	U	By 5-10-48 to 11-10-48
Telegram	5-19-48	Relet 5. Auth. extended interim operation period ending Nov. 10, 1948 using facilities specified in CP BPH-451.			
BLH-262	12-31-48	License to cover C.P. (BPH-451)			12-31-48 to 3-1-50
BTC-720	3-10-49	Acquisition of control of licensee			
BRH-212	2-23-50	Renewal of license			3-1-50 to 3-1-51
BRH-212	2-21-51	Renewal of license			to 3-1-54

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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters ..... **WBOH-FM**

Name of licensee ..... **HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.**

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From: To:
BRH-212	2-10-54	Renewal of license to Form 715 notice sent			8-1-55
Letter	1-4-55	STA oper. same as AM station to			6-1-55
Letter	5-31-55	EXT STA operate same hours as AM station to			7-1-55
BRCH-141	6-29-55	Remote Control Operation			
BRH-212	7-20-55	Renewal of license to			8-1-58(1)
BRH-89	7-21-55	Mod. of license to change studio location to 121 North Main St. Henderson, Ky.			8-1-58(8)
BRH-212	7-30-58	99.5mcs ERP:20kw Un.			8-1 8-1-61
WIRE	12-19-58	Operated on reduced power to			3-12-59.
BRCH-229 (1)	2-5-59	Mod. of lic. to change main studio and Remote Control point.			
BPH-2576	1-20-59	99.5mcs. 6.6kw. Unl. Ch.258 TPO: 1 kw.			3-20-59 9-20-59
HAAT: 400' Construction permit for a change of ERP. Forfeited, per Section 1.313, letter written 5-11-61.					
BRH-212	7-20-61	99.5mcs 20 kw Un			8-1 8-1-64
Ltr. dated 10-11-63 & rec'd 10-14-63 giving notification per Sect. 3.250(a)(5) Rules that a Gates FM-5B trans. is now installed & in oper. (Eff: 10-10-63)					
BRH-212	7-10-64	99.5mcs. 20kw U			8-1 8-1-67
BRH-212	7-18-67	Renewal of License			8-1 8-1-70
Tele 12-13-68 studios now at TI. also RC					
BRH-212(L)	11-13-70	RENEWAL			8-1-73
BPH-7507	7-16-71	99.5mc ERP: 50kw(h&v) TPO: 18kw			7-16-72
HAAT: 275' (h&v) CP chg. trans. ant. sys. TPO, ERP, HAAT.					
Contel	9-16-71	Temp. auth. operate BPH-7507 20kw			to 12-1-71
BLH-5322	1-20-72	99.5mc. ERP: 50kw(h&v)			8-1-73
HAAT: 275' (h&v) Lic. (BPH-7507) for changes.					
EBSA	5-22-72				
BRH-212 (S)	7-31-73	RENEWAL			8-1-76

Form BC 126 #4  
June 1954

## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters ..... W K D Q

Station location .....

Name of licensee ..... SEE CARD #1

Transmitter location ..... SEE CARD #1

Main studio location ..... SEE CARD #1

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BRH-212(L)	7-12-76		RENEWAL		8-1-79
BPH-10702 HAAT: 480' (h&v) (L)	10-28-77	99.5mhz #258 CP mke chg ant sys(incr hght); chg TPO &HAAT	ERP: 50kw(h&v) U		10-28-78
BLH-7747 HAAT: 480' (H&V) Lic. (BPH-10702)	6-27-78	99.5MHz #258 for changes.	ERP: 50kW (H&V) U		8-1-79
BTCH790606FF	7-30-79	VOL. TC		EFF:	8-10-79
BRH790313UA(S)	7-18-79	Renewal of license			8-1-82

## APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

WSON - FM

Call letters **X WET**Name HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INCORPORATED  
(P.O. 2 1/2 miles Northeast of Henderson on Zion Rd., Henderson, Kentucky)

FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B2-PH-451	3-12-45	Construction permit for new high frequency	Granted 4-22-46 for	
Rec'd	3-16-45	FM broadcast station	Met. Type station -	
Filed	3-16-45	Frequency: 49,900 kcs., Coverage: 7,660 Sq. Mi.	Conditional - Type 1	
		Population: 512,367	Letter mailed 4-25-46	
		Studio: Zion Road, 2 1/2 miles East of Henderson,	C. P. issued	
		Kentucky	Gr. 2-5-48	
		Transmitter: Same	Exp. 11-10-48	
		(G.E. GF-103-D Max. 3kw)		
		Filed by Harrison T. Slaughter, Att'y		
		Amendment re Comm. letter of 9-7-45 recd.		
		10-5-45. No change. (Metropolitan)		
		Program analysis rec'd. 5-9-46		
		Engr. info. recd. 1-2-48 changing type		
		transmitter; ERP; frequency and make changes		
		in antenna system.		

Grant R. Wrathall, Engineer

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING FM (CLASS B)

Call WBOH-FM

Letters NEW

Name HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-262 Rec'd. Filed	8-6-48 8-9-48 8-9-48	License to cover construction permit (B3-FM-451) which authorized a new FM broadcast station.	GRANTED	12-31-48 to exp. 3-1-50
BTC-730 Rec'd. Filed	1-8-49 1-11-49 1-11-49	Voluntary acquisition of control of licensee corporation from Pierce E. Lackey, Montana L. Lackey and The Paducah Broadcasting Company, Inc., To H. S. Lackey	GRANTED	3-10-49
BRH-212 Rec'd & Filed	12-5-49 12-19-49	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	2-23-50
BRH-212 Rec'd & Filed	12-29-50 1-2-51	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	2-21-51
BRH-212 Rec'd. & Filed	12-1-53 12-3-53	Renewal of license	GRANTED	2-10-54
BRH-212 Rec'd. & filed	4-29-55 5-5-55	Renewal of license	323 on file GRANTED	7-20-55

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FORM A-170

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call  
Letters WSON-FMName HENDERSON BROADCASTING CO., INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCH-141 Rec'd & Filed	6-23-55 6-27-55	Operation by remote control from 121 N. Main St., Henderson, Kentucky.	GRANTED	6-29-55
BMLH-89 Rec'd & filed	6-29-55 7-1-55	Mod. of license to move studio site from 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ mi. E. of Henderson, Ky. to 121 N. Main St. Henderson, Kentucky.	GRANTED	7-21-55
BRH-212 Rec'd Filed	5-1-58 5-5-58 5-5-58	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-30-58
BPH-2576 Rec'd Filed	12-22-58 12-29-58 12-29-58	Construction permit to change Effective Radiated Power from 20kw to 6.6kw.	GRANTED	1-20-59
			Forfeited, per Sec. 1.313 Letter written 5-11-61.	

FORM BC-121 # 4  
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W 5 0 N - F M

Name HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.  
HENDERSON, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCH-229 Rec'd Filed	1-29-59 2-2-59 2-2-59	Modification of license to change main studio and remote control point from 221 North Main Street to Soaper Hotel, 2nd and Main Streets, Henderson, Kentucky.	GRANTED	2-5-59
BRH-212 Rec'd Filed	4-24-61 4-28-61	Renewal of License	GRANTED	7-20-61
BRH- Received	8-12-63 8-14-63	Construction permit to incr ERP from 20 to 34.03kw; install new trans (Gates-5B) & incr TPO from 3 to 5kw.	Ret'd 8-21-63 re not compliance with comm rules	
BRH-212 R. & F.	3-13-64 3-16-64	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	7-10-64
BRH-212 R & F	4/25/67 4/28/67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	7-18-67

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99.5mc.

Form BC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W K D Q  
Letters XWSON-FMName HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.  
HENDERSON, KENTUCKY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-212 R & F \$75 #597962 PN Recd. PRESS	4-29-70 5-1-70 " " MAY 15 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 7-16-70 re: programming	GRANTED	11-13-70
BPH-7507 R & F #508466 \$50 CODE: 061 PRESS:	6-3-71 6-16-71 6-16-71 8 JUL 1971	CP install new trans(Gates-FM-20H3); new Ant (Gates-FMC_6, 6 horiz. & vert. sects); chg. TPO: 17.9kw; ERP: 50kw(h&v); HAAT: 276ft.(h&v). Atty - John B. Jacob	GRANTED WSON determine power indirect & file 302	7-16-71
BLH-5322 R & F W 019036-\$50. AC-068 PTA Amended PRESS	11-10-71 11-12-71 11-12-71 11-19-71 11-26-71 JAN 14 1972	Lic.(BPH-7507) for changes. T-SL redes: ON E. edge of Henderson, on State Hwy 54. RC N.A.  Atty: Gordon and Jacob Engr data	GRANTED	1-20-72

Form BC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters **W K F Q**

Name **HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC.**  
**HENDERSON, KENTUCKY**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRH-212 R & F PN Recd. PRESS JUN 15 1973	4-23-73 5-1-73 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE John B. Jacob, Atty.	GRANTED	7-31-73
BRH-212 R & F P.N. Press MAY 24 1976	3-12-76 3-18-76 3-18-76	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: John B. Jacob (Gordon & Jacob)	GRANTED	7-12-76
BPH-10702 R & F PRESS SEP 28 1977	7-26-77 7-29-77	CP mke chgs in Antenna system (incr hght); chg TPO & HAAT (477 feet H&V) Atty. John B. Jacob Engr. Ralph J. Bitzer	ACCEPTED & GRANTED Cond'L program test auth.	10-28-77

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

99.5MHz

Call  
Letters

W K D Q

Name **HENDERSON BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. INCORPORATED**  
**Henderson, Kentucky**

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BLH-7747 R & F PTA: PRESS:	3-31-78 4-6-78 4-11-78  MAY 25 1978	License (BPH-10702) for changes. SL: 2030 Zion Road, Henderson, Kentucky. Trans: Harris-20H3  Atty: John B. Jacob (Cordon & Jacob)	GRANTED	6-27-78
BRH790313UA PRESS: MAY	16 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Atty: John B. Jacob	GRANTED	7-18-79
BTCH 90606FF FORM 315 (also see WSON) PRESS: JUN	21 1979	Vol TC from Hecht S. Lackey, Sr. to Henry G. Lackey  Atty - Cordon and <u>Jacob</u>	GRANTED EFF:	7-30-79 8-10-79

## About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12<sup>th</sup> Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). Prior to that move, the History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

